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| APPLICANTS :                                   | Jan Berka, <i>et al.</i> | CONFIRMATION NUMBER : | 6163            |
| SERIAL NUMBER :                                | 10/767,899               | EXAMINER :            | David C. Thomas |
| FILING DATE :                                  | January 28, 2004         | ART UNIT :            | 1637            |
| FOR : BEAD EMULSION NUCLEIC ACID AMPLIFICATION |                          |                       |                 |

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**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed on December 11, 2007 and relating to the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of this Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111. A petition for a one-month extension of time and the relevant fee accompanies this Response. With this extension, this Response is considered to be timely filed on or before April 11, 2008.

**Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.